Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Is there any choice to import milch cattle or cattle for other purposes—Is it left to the purchaser or controlled by the Government.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* Controlled by the Government.

Mr. K. Narayana Menon *(Mulakunnathukavu):* Is there any proportion fixed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* No. But the Director of Agriculture has been authorised to use his discretion in issuing permits to be produced before the British authorities to get export permits from there.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Does this include milch cattle also?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* It applies to the 600 heads of cattle all told.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* Does this include calves also?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* All told 600.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Has the Government any idea as to how the agriculturists meet this very grave situation?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* They are some how or other drawing on all reserves wherever they could be found and somehow meet the situation.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* In the case of milch cows, are the cows and calves counted as one or two?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* That question has not arisen Sir, as yet. Let us hope that the Madras Government would be kind enough to exclude the calves.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know, Sir, whether the Government will be pleased to intensify their humble but legitmate request before the Madras Government to increase the quota.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* It is too early to make another representation.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Do we get cattle from Travancore.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* I want notice.

Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Has any representation been made to the Travancore Government?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* They won't allow it. That was settled long ago.

ENTRY OF FEMALES AND CHILDREN INTO TODDY SHOPS—PROHIBITION REGARDING

159. Mrs. K. Joshua *(Women-Trichur):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

whether they are aware that the Government rule prohibiting entry of women and children to toddy shops is being openly violated now by women by their going and remaining inside for selling curry and other stuff and thereby leading to many undesirable consequences?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* No such instance has come to notice so far.

BEGGAR RELIEF IN THE STATE

160. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to inform.—

(*a*) the steps taken for Beggar Relief in the State this year, 1119;

(*b*) the amounts of money spent for the purpose up to the 1st of Karkadagam 1119 in the various centres or localities where beggar relief has been started;

(*c*) amounts of contribution, donations or other collections received for the purpose up to the 1st of Karkadagam 1119;

(*d*) the steps taken on the report of the Committee for Beggar relief?

Mr. C. J. Mathew *(Joint Secretary to Government):* (*a*) Under instructions issued by Government the 3 major Municipalities of the State, *viz.*, Ernakulam, Mattancheri and Trichur, have each opened a Beggar Home at Punnurunni (Vytila), Palluruthy and Ramavarmapuram respectively, where provision is made to house, feed and clothe about 200 deserving beggars. The diseased beggars are given medical aid also. The expenditure is in the first instance met by the Municipalities concerned but the amount spent is later reimbursed to them by Government.

(*b*) The accounts relating to beggar relief up to the 1st of Karkadagam 1119, are not available. The amounts spent up to the 1st Mithunam are as follows:

Ernakulam	..	Rs.	8,461	3	11
Mattancheri	..	Rs.	6,771	12	2
Trichur	..	Rs.	234	0	0

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